



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe Stecher and Mickey Leadingham, Omaha's Resident Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: For being a Felon in Possession of a Firearm on January 28, 2009, Luis J. Plesent was sentenced by the Honorable Joseph Bataillon, Chief United States District Judge, to serve 30 months in prison, which will be followed by a 3 year term of Supervised Release, and to pay a \$100 Special Assessment. On January 28, 2009, the Omaha ATF Field Office executed a federal search warrant at the rural residence of Luis Plesent Sr, his wife, and two sons, Leonel and Luis J. Plesent. Four firearms were found in Luis' bedroom. He is a felon, having spent a year in prison in Texas for a Possession of Cocaine charge.

Name of Defendant: Luis J. Plesent

AKA: Jesus Martinez, Luis Jesus Plesent-Martinez, Jr., Martinez Jesus, Luis Jesus Pleasant, Luis Jesus Plessent, Luis Martinez

Age: 33

City of Residence: Waterloo

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Felon in Possession of a Firearm carries not more than 10 years in prison, not more than a \$250,000 fine, not more than 3 yrs term of Supervised Release, and a \$100 Special Assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: His home near Waterloo

Location of Arrest: His home near Waterloo

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: n/a

Others Charged in Same Scheme: n/a

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: January 28, 2009

Federal Arrest Date: January 28, 2009

Date Complaint Issued: January 29, 2009

Indictment Returned Date: February 19, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: February 25, 2009

Plea Date(s): May 12, 2009

Sentencing Date: August 14, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: n/a

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Hon. F. A. Gossett

Held without Bond: Yes

In Continuous Custody Since: January 28, 2009

Assigned District Court Judge: Hon. Joseph Bataillon

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